



REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-14 are pending.

Claims 1-9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Funakoshi (U.S. Patent No. 6,757,485). Applicants respectfully traverse this art grounds of rejection.

Submitted concurrently with this Amendment is a verified English translation of the Korean Priority Document for the subject application. Accordingly, Applicants have perfected their claim for priority and are entitled to a date of invention of at least October 30, 1999. Because the Funakoshi patent qualifies as prior art as of its filing date of April 13, 2000, Applicants have successfully antedated the Funakoshi patent, and removed Funakoshi as a prior art reference.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw this art grounds of rejection.

Claim 10 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Juri (U.S. Patent No. 5,999,693). Applicants respectfully traverse this art grounds of rejection.

Juri teaches a digital video cassette recorder such as shown in Fig. 1a. The digital video cassette recorder records video data on a magnetic tape. As shown in Fig. 1b, auxiliary video data is directly associated with the main video data recorded in each video sector, and the first video auxiliary data includes a

still image flag indicating whether or not a still image is present in the main video data. As shown in Fig. 1b, this still image flag is part of the first video auxiliary data that is connected to the main video data. Accordingly, the still image flag is not separated from the main video data. Therefore, Juri cannot disclose or suggest "a navigation area, separated from the data area, storing navigation data from managing reproduction of the video data, the navigation data indicating if the video data includes a still picture," as recited in claim 10.

In large part this is due to the recording medium in Juri, which is a magnetic tape. Unlike an optical disc, data can only be read out sequentially from a magnetic tape. Stated another way, magnetic tape does not permit random access, and therefore, the still picture flag can not be separated from the video data in Juri.

Newly added dependent claim 12 further highlights this distinction by reciting that the recording medium is an optical disc.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw this art grounds of rejection.

By this Amendment, Applicants have also added new claims 11-15. Claims 11-12 depend from claim 10, and are patentable at least for the reasons stated above with respect to claim 10. Claims 13-14 include similar limitations to those discussed above with respect to claim 10, and are patentable at least for the reasons discussed above with respect to claim 10.



CONCLUSION

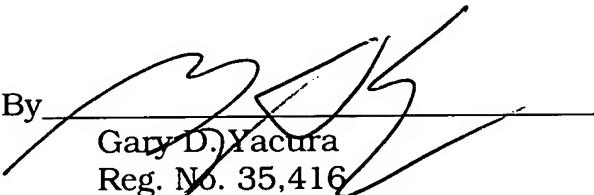
In view of above remarks, reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

HARNESS, DICKEY & PIERCE, PLC

By 
Gary D. Yacura
Reg. No. 35,416

GDY:jcp

P.O. Box 8910
Reston, VA 20195
(703) 668-8000